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CENTRE FOR STEM CELL SCIENCES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a new Centre for Stem Cell Sciences has started functioning in Hyderabad; and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the objectives of the Centre?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. The Centre for Liver Research and Diagnostics (CLRD), Hyderabad, has been renamed as Centre for Stem Cell Sciences(CSCS). The primary objective of this unit is to carry out research in both basic and applied aspects in the area of Hepatology and Digestive Sciences. The focus of the CSCS is on stem cell research and development, stem cell production, stem cell therapies, stem cell based cord blood bank and simultaneously going to be involved in advanced education and expanding scientific knowledge in the field.